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In re the Application of

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For: ENVIRONMENT-COMPLIANT IMAGE DISPLAY SYSTEM, IMAGE PROCESSING  
METHOD AND PROGRAM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 27, lines 18-20, delete current paragraph and insert therefor:

Fig. 10 is a schematic diagram showing the concept of inverse vector in the Lab  
space.

Page 27, lines 20-24, delete current paragraph and insert therefor:

As shown in Fig. 10, the Lab space includes a vertical axis representing the lightness  
L and a plurality of  $a^*-b^*$  planes along the L axis. It is now assumed that the coordinate  
values of the white-color values in the actual presentation environment were  $(a1^*, b1^*)$  in a  
predetermined  $a^*-b^*$  plane.

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, the specification is amended to correct typographical errors. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten paragraph (37 C.F.R. §1.121(b)(1)(iii)).

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Attached: APPENDIX

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APPENDIX

Changes to Specification:

Page 27, lines 18-19:

Fig. 109 is a schematic diagram showing the concept of inverse vector in the Lab space.

Page 27, lines 20-24:

As shown in Fig. 109, the Lab space includes a vertical axis representing the lightness  $L$  and a plurality of  $a^*-b^*$  planes along the  $L$  axis. It is now assumed that the coordinate values of the white-color values in the actual presentation environment were ( $a1^*$ ,  $b1^*$ ) in a predetermined  $a^*-b^*$  plane.

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